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The 2013 Col d'Orcia Poggio al Vento Brunello di Montalcino Riserva (\$163) is simply a gorgeous Brunello. It is harmonious — a quality that in my book is akin to sainthood for a Tuscan Sangiovese. (In fact, I describe such wines as having grace.) Count Francesco noted that 2013, a small-quantity vintage, is one of those vintages that will show better and better with age because the elegance of the wine is more important than the structure. The wine's other attributes seem mundane to mention — its red cherry and dry-earth aromas with emerging notes of tobacco, leather and mushroom; its silky texture; its concentration of fresh fruit; its thrust of energy across the palate to an enduring finish. M. Ewing Mulligan MW April 2021

